

Rep. Lyons (chair, elections committee) district votes come from parts of two counties: Ionia and Kent. For years 2014 and 2012 combined, Kent county received 52.8% of all votes as straight party ticket votes. Of that number, 54.7% of Rs voted straight ticket and 52.1% of Ds voted straight ticket - that's 188,371 straight ticket votes in 2014 and 292,359 straight ticket votes in 2012. A lot of voters who like to use straight ticket voting.

In 2014 Ionia county (the other county that contributes to Rep. Lyons election) 8,182 used the straight ticket while 18016 voted for governor, yielding 45.4% of votes cast as straight ticket. Splitting that into Rs and Ds, Rs used straight ticket 47.3% and Ds 43.5%. Once again, a lot of people use straight ticket votes.

Statewide, about 50% of people use straight ticket voting over the last 4 general election cycles (about two million people each cycle.) That's a lot of people to piss off by taking away their voting preference!

Sincerely,

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